VFW Post 8794 TOWN CRIER - Newsletter

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Message from the Commander

Hello Comrades,

Wow, where has the year gone already, we are moving through fall fast and the holiday season is upon us with Thanksgiving this month and all the December Holidays right around the corner! I am looking forward to the Holiday Season and I am sure we will have some great times during the next couple months, I am going to challenge the members to support at least one charity program during this season of giving, we will look at a Post Program of Supporting Veterans in need with a donation box for clothing items, pantry items and other needs along with our Toys for Tots Box. I want all of us to support these vital programs.

During November our concentration of efforts will be on Veterans and Veteran's Day events and support throughout the community, let me know if you will be participating in any activities for Veterans Day which is 11 November 2024, we will have a dinner on Friday, November 15th at the Post. Also, do not forget in December we will conduct our Pearl Harbor Day Ceremony so mark your calendar for the December 7th and we will have the children's Christmas Party on Saturday also, so plan on attending these great events.

Let us remain focused on our goals and continue to be successful. Again, and as always thank you comrades for all your efforts in making this the best organization to be a part of.

Do not forget to attend the VFW Post Meeting at 7 pm on Thursday, November 14th; all VFW members are welcomed and encouraged to attend. You will make a difference by being there!

God Bless the U.S.A.

Bob Burns
Commander 2024-25

Message from the Auxiliary President

Hello Auxiliary members,

Wow! Fall is fast approaching, next thing old winter be before we know it. We know that the holidays are a very busy time for everyone but let us not forget about our veterans and their families during this time. They need us more now more than ever during these tough economic times. The Auxiliary is trying to do our best but having another clothing drive this year. We need the following items: men's/women's t-shirts, men's/women's underwear, socks, gloves, coats, hats, blankets. Last we were able to assist over 100 veterans in your community. This year we are looking to double that number. We will have a collection box located in the Post to receive your donations. On, more positive note. We have a signup sheet for Kids Christmas party on the bulletin board. Please sign -up before the November 15th deadline. The Auxiliary will be having a yard / bake sale the week of the OSU/ Michigan. We are excepting all items that you would like to donate to the Auxiliary. The hours of operation will as follow:
Mon- Thurs. 3:30-7:30
Thursday - closed
Friday-3:30-7:30
Saturday - 12:00- 5:00
All proceeds will be donated to assist veterans in need for the holidays. Finally, 13th annual chili cook off will be held at the Post. Please bring in your best chili and maybe you can win a prize. There are three categories hot, regular, other. Have an additional question please see "Hutch." Please do not forget to exercise your right to vote. Ever vote counts.

Let us continue to keep up the unwavering support for heroes. Until, we meet again.

God bless America!
Sincerely,
Pat Kelly
Auxiliary President, 2018-25

Message from the Quartermaster

Greetings to all members.

We are not doing bad with renewals, currently the Post is over 80% but November & December is when most are due so check your cards and make sure you renew your membership, or even better join as a life member. We are going to continue the Lifetime Program and if you would like to join as a **VFW Post 8794 LIFETIME MEMBER, WE have an offer you cannot refuse through 2025, we will pay your first $100 of whatever the cost of your Lifetime Membership is.** (See below Chart for your age group)

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP COST

		VFW 8794	YOU PAY
Through Age 30	$425.00 –	$100 =	$325.00
31-40	$410.00 -	$100 =	$310.00
41-50	$375.00 -	$100 =	$275.00
51-60	$335.00 -	$100 =	$235.00
61-70	$290.00 -	$100 =	$190.00
71-80	$225.00 -	$100 =	$125.00
81 and over	$170.00 -	$100 =	$ 70.00

If you are interested in this program and want to Join Lifetime, see me or call me and I will make it happen! This is a great opportunity. - Richard Curry, QM, 2021-25

Message from the Canteen Manager

Hello all,

WELCOME ALL MEMBERS TO OUR FOXHOLE CANTEEN! **IT'S STILL FOOTBALL SEASON!** Our Tailgate time is still the best in the land at the VFW Canteen!!! Thanks for coming in. We will have some great events so take some time to stop by and enjoy some down time with us at the Foxhole Canteen. **Our Queen of Hearts is growing again**, it is now over $48,000, nice! See Calendar for all events. Texas Hold-Em on Tuesdays 6-9pm. Come in and sit in on some card games where we play for fun. We have our Pool league on Sundays. Our back patio is looking great, so step out and enjoy our Foxhole "Biergarten". Do not forget to wear your Rat-Bastard shirt on designated days so you can get a free drink! Buy one today if you do not have one, it supports the cure for cancer program.
SOMETHING NEW: WE WILL OPEN ON SUNDAYS AT 1 pm FOR NFL GAMES COME IN AND ENJOY THE GAME WITH OUR BEER SPECIAL *$2 FOR ALL DOMESTIC BEERS DURING ALL GAMES!*

Canteen Hours: Monday – Thursday 3 to 10pm
Friday - Saturday 1- Close
Sunday 1- 9 pm

R.G. Kouns
Canteen Manager

Fundraising Events

New VFW Ball Caps – See sample in hallway display case, ask your bartender, RG or QM for one only $18 apiece.

New Foxhole Canteen Shirts – See sample in hallway display case, ask your bartender, RG or QM for one only $28 apiece.

Foxhole Canteen Logo Glass with your favorite drink, ask the bartender for one! See samples in hallway display case.

Rat-Bastard Shirts to cure Cancer - $30.00 each.

Message from the Bingo Manager

Hi Bingo Family,
I would like to thank my bingo volunteer staff; the Sunday I was out (Actually every Sunday). All of you did a great job!!!
Hog Wild has a jackpot and Horse Jackpot is growing. The Magic Ball still has 2 jackpots!
Our Monthly Drawing will be November 24th
Thank you for my new bingo volunteers, it is greatly appreciated!
Thank you to all our bingo players and the volunteers that make our bingo sessions happen.
Sunday doors open at 4pm and bingo starts at 6pm.
Also, I would like to mention that the VFW in Reynoldsburg has started a small-town bingo on Thursdays the same time, doors open at 4 and bingo starts at 6pm.

The Guru Says – "It is all fun and games…. until someone yells Bingo!!"
Thanks, Becky Kelly, The Bingo Guru, O-74……. Good Number!

Safety Message

November Safety Tips

Events Committee

We will still need your support! We will still need you to volunteer. Come on its fun, help out where you can? If you have a great idea you would like to present bring it to the Events Committee Meeting now meets on the **4th Monday of the month at 6:00pm**. Get involved, it doesn't hurt…..much! All Members are welcome at the meeting.

SEE CALENDAR FOR EVENTS.

Post Officers 2024-25

COMMANDER: Bob Burns

SR. VICE CMDR: Christine Curry

JR. VICE CMDR: Dan Miller

QUARTERMASTER: Richard Curry

ADJUTANT: Christine Curry

CHAPLAIN: R G Kouns

JUDGE ADVOCATE: Bobby Oliver

SURGEON: Shannon Devera

OFFICER OF THE DAY: Frank Clements

GUARD: Don Dionne

SERVICE OFFICER: Rick Curry

LEGISLATIVE CHAIR: Shannon Devera

3-YR. TRUSTEE: Ellen Brandes-Mattingly

2-YR. TRUSTEE: Sherry Kemp-Woodyard

1-YR. TRUSTEE: Gary Pfaff

House Committee Members

Rob McKee, 1-Yr. Ron Pannell, 2-Yr. Frank Clements 3-Yr

Auxiliary Officers 2024-25

PRESIDENT Pat Kelly

SENIOR VICE Janice Ritchey

1ST VICE David Hutchison

TREASURER Dan Neidert

SECRETARY Nancy Johnson

CHAPLAIN Carmen Johnson

GUARD Saundra Hill

CONDUCTOR Shane Gibson

3-YR. TRUSTEE

2-YR. TRUSTEE Roberta Thacker

1-YR. TRUSTEE Linda Clements

Welcome New Members

(VFW Members)
Beverly, Jonathan
Epling, Joseph
Gleaves, Trevor
Robinson, Ina
Watkins, John
Adams, David

(Auxiliary Members)

(Associate Members)

SICK CALL

Bob Kapp

Kathy Manley

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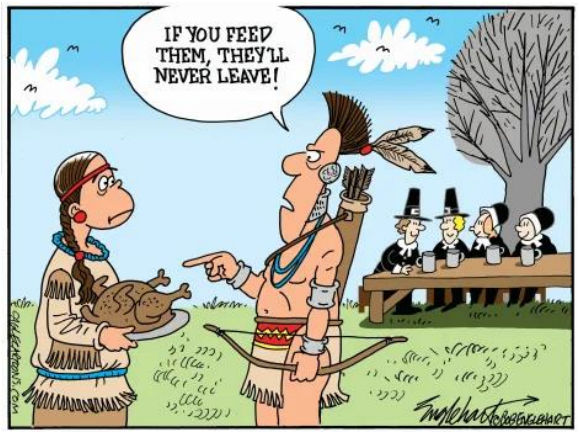
Robert Burns Sr.

November Humor

"You picked the wrong time of year to go sporting my shorts there, stud."

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